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Kristen Clarke, Assistant Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division 4 Constitution Square 150 M Street NE/8.923 Washington, DC 20530

Dear Ms. Clarke:

I am in receipt of your letter dated June 27, 2022, expressing your intent to challenge HB 2492, Arizona's law that assures only citizens are able to vote in our elections. Please be assured that I will defend this law to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary and defeat the federal government's efforts to interfere with our state's election safeguards, as I did last year in *Brnovich v. DNC*.

It is curious, however, that the Department of Justice would use its resources to challenge a common sense law in Arizona designed to guard against non-citizen voting, while the Biden Administration is simultaneously opening our borders to encourage a flood of illegal immigration. Is the federal government attempting to undermine our sovereignty and destabilize our election infrastructure? I hope that is not your intention.

I strongly urge you to reconsider your pursuit of this misguided suit and to instead recognize Arizona's constitutional authority to conduct lawful and secure elections.

Sincerely,

Mark Brnovich Attorney General

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The Honorable Doug Ducey The Honorable Katie Hobbs

Emily Brailey